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NATCHITOCHES, LA.

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Calendar 1908-1909

1908.

October 1st, Thursday.....Fall Term Begins.
November 26th, Thursday.....Thanksgiving Day holiday.
December 25th, Friday.....Christmas holiday.

1909.

January 15th, Friday.....Fall Term ends.

January 18th, Monday.....Spring Term begins.
May 9th-12th, Sunday-Wednesday, Commencement.
May 12th, Wednesday.....Spring Term ends.
May 12-June 1st.....Spring Vacation.

June 1st, Tuesday.....Summer Term begins.
September 17th, Friday.....Summer Term ends.
September 17th-October 4th.....Fall Vacation.

October 4th, Thursday.....Session of 1909-1910 begins.

There will be no Christmas vacation.

One-day holidays will be given on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

The Course by Terms.

FIRST YEAR.

First Term.	Second Term.
1. English.	1. English.
2. Arithmetic.	2. Algebra.
3. American History.	3. English History.
4. Geography.	4. Botany.
5. Singing.	5. Singing.
6. Drawing.	6. Drawing.

SECOND YEAR.

THIRD TERM.

1. Latin.
2. General History.
3. Algebra.
4. Zoology.
5. Singing.
6. Drawing.

FOURTH TERM.

1. Latin.
2. Literature.
3. Geometry.
4. Bookkeeping.
5. Singing.
6. Drawing.

THIRD YEAR.

FIFTH TERM.

1. Latin.
2. Literature.
3. Geometry.
4. Physiology.
5. Civics and School Law.
6. Writing and Spelling.

SIXTH TERM.

1. Latin.
2. History of Education.
3. Physics.
4. Physiology.
5. Reading and Public Speaking.
6. Writing and Spelling.

FOURTH YEAR.

SEVENTH TERM.

1. Latin.
2. Pedagogy.
3. Practice Teaching
4. Chemistry.
5. English.
6. Manual Training.

EIGHTH TERM.

1. Latin.
2. Pedagogy.
3. Practice Teaching.
4. Agriculture.
5. English Discourse
6. History of Music and Art.

Beginning with the summer term of 1909, four months will be added to the regular course of study for the benefit of graduates and others who desire to equip themselves better for high school work and superintendencies.

GRADUATION.

The requirements for graduation are two: satisfactory completion of the course of study, and development of an acceptable degree of skill in teaching and control. They are equally indispensable: no amount of scholarship can take the place of teach-

ing power, and no facility in teaching can atone for poor scholarship.

The diploma of the Normal School is a license to teach in any public school of Louisiana for four years. It may be renewed indefinitely by the Board of Administrators "upon satisfactory evidence of success, progress and good character." "Furthermore, the diploma of the State Normal School shall entitle its holder to such degree of preference in selecting teachers for the public schools of the State as may be deemed wise and expedient by the State Board of Education."

Three classes are graduated each year, in January, May and September, but there is only one commencement exercise, in May, at which time diplomas for all graduates of the year are given.

DEMAND FOR GRADUATES.

The schools of Louisiana require five thousand white teachers. The average term of service is about four years, and a thousand new teachers are needed each year.

Many of the Parish Boards now engage only trained teachers, and in every parish of the State some schools require normal graduates. As popular interest in the public school increases there is an increasing demand for trained men and women; and for several years the Normal School has had many more calls for graduates than it could supply.

Capable, well-trained teachers are eagerly sought by school boards, not only in Louisiana, but throughout the South. And every man and woman prepared to give superior service in the school-room may be sure of prompt employment in responsible positions at good salaries.

For several years the graduating classes of the Normal School have been practically all engaged in advance of graduation. The demand for trained teachers may be expected to increase from year to year; and the public school service offers an inviting field to the strongest and worthiest young men and women of the State.

EXPENSES.

Tuition is free to all who expect to become teachers; others pay the fee of $20 a term of four months. Students taking

special courses not leading to graduation pay the same fee.

The incidental fee for regular students is $2 a term; for pupils in the Model School, $1 a term.

Individual lessons in violin, piano and stenography are the only subjects for which there is a special fee; for such lessons the charge is $16 a term of four months.

All fees are payable in advance. The incidental fee must be paid for a *fraction of a term the same as for the full term.*

The necessary expenses of a student in the regular course average about $15 a month; for a student who takes the piano and violin course, about $19 a month; and for special students about $20 a month.

Board in dormitories costs $3 a week; in private families, from $3.50 to $5 a week, according to accommodations furnished.

Washing for men costs about $1 a month; for girls, $1.50 to $2.50.

The following is an average estimate of the cost of attendance to a regular student in the Normal School or the Model School:

Board 16 weeks, at $3	$48.00
Washing	6.50
Books and stationery	5.00
Incidental fee	2.00
	$61.50

SCHOLARSHIPS.

The general Assembly of 1904 provided that the Police Jury of each parish may make appropriation for the maintenance of a beneficiary student at the State Normal School.

The appointment should be made by the Police Jury.

ALBY L. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP.

The Alumni Scholarship, established June, 1897, is called the Alby L. Smith Scholarship, in memory of the beloved training teacher under whom so many of the Alumni served their apprenticeship.

ALUMNI LOAN FUND.

The Alumni Association maintains a loan fund, from which temporary loans are made to students in the last year of the normal course, to be repaid out of the first year's earnings after graduation.

REGULATIONS.

Students are expected to bear themselves with propriety both in and out of school, and to show due respect for order, morality, personal honor and the rights of others. Failure to do this is sufficient ground for dismissing any student.

Absence without previous permission or valid excuse forfeits the student's membership.

Neglect of duty, unbecoming conduct or irregularity of attendance will lead to the dismissal of the student.

It is the effort of the Administrators to admit to the privileges of the Normal School only those who are morally and physically qualified for the office of teacher, who are accustomed to rational living and endowed with the sense of responsibility. Lazy, sickly and untrustworthy students are dismissed without ceremony.

THE BOARDING CLUB.

Five buildings are used as dormitories for young women. Young men board in private families in town.

The boarding club accommodates five hundred young women. The bedrooms are furnished with single beds, mattresses, chairs, tables, wardrobes, washstands, stoves and electric lights.

Students provide their own pillows, sheets, blankets, bedspreads, towels and napkins. Feather beds, cotton "comforts" and quilts are not allowed in the dormitories.

Every bedroom is comfortable and properly furnished, but some are much more desirable in size, location or view than others. Choice is given to students who have lived longest in the club. *New students cannot choose rooms*, but are assigned to places by the matron of the club.

There are nine bath-rooms, supplied with hot and cold water.

The club is governed by the president of the school and receives his personal attention throughout the year.

The beautiful Normal grounds are the home and recreation grounds of the young women of the club after school closes in the afternoon.

CLUB RULES.

1. Applicants must file certificates of good health and good character, and agree to observe the club rules.

2. Club members are required to conduct themselves with propriety, and to show due regard for the rights of others.

3. Members cannot leave the ground without reporting to the matron, both on leaving and returning.

4. No member will be permitted to spend the night away from the Normal, and *requests to this effect from parents will always be refused.*

5. Young women living in the club are not permitted to receive calls from gentlemen.

6. Club members are not allowed to receive packages of food.

7. Medicines must not be kept in bedrooms. No narcotic, intoxicating or poisonous substance is allowed under any circumstances.

Remedies for the simple ailments incident to school life are kept and dispensed by the matron. When a student is sick enough to need the attention of a physician, she is taken to the infirmary and placed in charge of a graduate course.

8. Club members may go shopping or visiting in town on Saturday morning, from 9 to 11:30 o'clock.

9. On Sunday club members may attend any day service at the churches, and on Sunday night they may attend when accompanied by the matron or a teacher.

10. For a minor violation of the club rules, a member may be put under arrest, which means forfeiture of privileges for the time. For any grave violation of rules or of propriety, for continuous neglect of duty, or unbecoming conduct, the member will be dismissed.

Nearly all the club members are preparing themselves for their life-work, most of them at their own expense And with students of this class the largest possible liberty may be safely allowed. Every feature of the club management rests on the assumption that the students are capable of self-control, and that they desire to advance the interests and welfare of the club.

CLUB EXPENSES.

The charge to club members is $3 a week. This is payable four weeks in advance. For less than a month the charge is 50 cents a day. For mothers, sisters and friends of club members, the charge is $1 a day.

The charge covers board, room, fuel, light and service.

In cases of protracted sickness, students pay for the services of physician and nurse, and for medicine and other supplies

required for individual use. For attention given by the matron there is no charge.

GENERAL.

In the fall and spring terms breakfast is served at 8 o'clock; luncheon at 12:30; dinner at 5.

In the summer term early coffee is served in the dining-room, with rolls and fruit, at 6:30; breakfast at 8:30; dinner at 1. and supper at 6.

No rising hour is prescribed, and students are advised to sleep as late as possible in the morning. Negligee dress is not allowed in dining-room.

The cashier receives deposits from club members and pays money drawn against these deposits on every day of the week up to 4 o'clock, except Sunday; and on Sunday from 3 to 4, at the opening and closing of the term. The club becomes responsible for deposits.

Club members are advised to deposit their money *immediately after arriving. Money should not be kept in the bedrooms at any time.*

Clothing, towels, napkins and bed linen should be marked with the owner's *full name, not with initials only.*

Trunks and handbags should have the owner's *name* and *address* PAINTED on them. Initials and cards are insufficient.

The Boarding Club is open throughout the year and students who wish to do so may remain in the club through the spring and fall vacations.

New students should give notice a day or two in advance of their coming, so that they may be met at the station.

A modern system of sewers, a steam heating plant for the dormitories, and a steam laundry are being installed.

For further information write

J. B. ASWELL, President

Natchitoches, La.

HEALTH CERTIFICATE.

(To be filled out and signed by the Parish Health Officer or a responsible practicing physician.)

This certifies that.....

of....., La., is known to me personally; and,

1. That ..he is free from consumption and other contagious diseases.

2. That ..he has no deformity such as would interfere with .....usefulness or success as a teacher.

3. That ..he has not been exposed within fifteen days to typhoid, yellow or scarlet fever, diphtheria, small-pox or measles; and

4. That ..he is at this date in good health.

Signed, ...M. D.

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CHARACTER CERTIFICATE.

To the State Normal School, Natchitoches, La.:

This certifies that.....

of....., La., is personally known to me, and that I recommend.....as a person of good character, worthy of being admitted to the Normal School to prepare .....self for the office of teacher.

Signed, ...

Parish Superintendent.

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Applicants not known to the Superintendent may have their certificates signed by the President of School Board, President of Police Jury, Sheriff, Clerk or Judge.

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